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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Mount St. Mary's STEM Access, Innovation and Workforce Development in Rural Maryland Program in the Fiscal Year 2023 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is Mount St. Mary's University, located at 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

If awarded, the funding will be used to support expansion of STEM research facilities to support American competitiveness in STEM fields, particularly those showing substantial workforce demand, including computer science, data science, cybersecurity, and biological, environmental, and physical sciences. The requested funds will be used to increase existing research facilities through the addition of 20,000 square feet of computational and laboratory spaces at Mount St. Mary's University, which will serve to enhance STEM competitiveness by providing work-based training, building educator-industry partnerships, and strengthening cross-disciplinary STEM training.

I certify that neither I nor any member of my immediate family has any financial interests in this project.

David Trone

Member of Congress